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Culture for Sustainability as a Transversal Instrument for 2030 Agenda and NSDS Implementation

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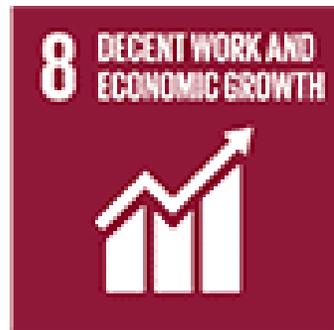
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2030 Agenda





United Nations



Transforming Education Summit
New York, 16-17 of September 2022



Vision Statement of the Transforming Education Summit

- ❑ Education is a **fundamental human right**
- ❑ If we are to transform our world by 2030 as envisaged by the Sustainable Development Goals, the need to **respond decisively, with conviction, imagination and in solidarity to transform education**
- ❑ Education transformation requires the **collective commitment and action** of visionary political leaders at all levels, parents, students, teachers and the public at large

The transformative power of culture



United Nations
Headquarters, New York

<https://www.un.org/pga/73/event/culture-and-sustainable-development/>

On the occasion of the World Day for Cultural Diversity for Dialogue and Development

- ❑ The **transformative power of culture** for social inclusion, resilience and sustainable development is increasingly recognized as a key enabler for Sustainable Development.
- ❑ The **local authorities and communities take an increasingly important role** in this global momentum **alongside international and national actors and other relevant stakeholders.**
- ❑ **Culture** is also an **essential component of human development**, representing a source of **identity, innovation and creativity** for all, it provides sustainable solutions to local and global challenges.

2030 Agenda principles and SDGs

INTEGRATION
UNIVERSALITY
INCLUSION
TRASFORMATION

INTEGRATED
INDIVISIBLE
BALANCE the three dimensions
of sustainable development: the
economic, social and environmental



« The interlinkages and integrated nature of the Sustainable Development Goals are of crucial importance in ensuring that the purpose of the new Agenda is realised. If we realize our ambitions across the full extent of the Agenda, the lives of all will be profoundly improved and our world will be transformed for the better »

2030 Agenda in Italy NSDS system

PEOPLE
PLANET
PROSPERITY
PEACE
PARTNERSHIP

VECTORS FOR
SUSTAINABILITY

PCSD

CULTURE

PARTICIPATION

ATTACHMENTS

Strategic choices and National Strategic Objectives

43 INDICATORS (2018)

Vectors for sustainability

2017
NSDS
VNR

IMPLEMENTATION of the «NSDS SYSTEM»
actors (institutions and non-state), spaces, means, territories to feed the process

TARGETS

REVISED INDICATORS (55 for territories)

2022
NSDS
VNR

Vectors for sustainability – ENABLING CONDITIONS

Vision

(governance and multilevel collaboration)

Assessment

(Sustainability assessment for public policies)

Monitoring

(monitoring the achievement of NSDS objectives)

Education and training

Information and communication

Collaborative institutions

Active engagement

National Action Plan for Policy coherence for sustainable development

New Regulation for the Forum for sustainable development



VOLUNTARY NA
ITALY 2022
TIONAL REVIEW

INTEGRATION UNIVERSALITY INCLUSION TRANSFORMATION

PCSD Project

the National Action Plan for PCSD

Mainstreaming the SDGs in Italian decision-making

Objective 1

Review and analysis of the current Governance framework for sustainability: a **Governance Scan** was produced from information collected through ad-hoc surveys and other bilateral interviews with **key central and sub-national actors**, including Regions and Metropolitan Cities as well as civil society— already active in the revision of the NSDS. It also included setting up an **informal engagement group** with the Presidency of the Council of Ministries and key line Ministries.

Objective 2

Strengthen PCSD capacities (October 2020-June 2021): **three targeted workshops**, focused on transboundary impacts of Italian domestic policies, evaluation mechanisms and coherence matrixed involved over one hundred participants from central and territorial administrations and civil society. In addition, in-depth background documents have supported the exchanges.

Objective 3

A PCSD Action Plan was produced through engagement and consultation with **permanent multistakeholder platforms** (Regions, Autonomous Provinces, Metropolitan Cities, Sustainable Development Civil Society Forum) and central administrations. The key findings are embedded in the **revised National Sustainable Development Strategy (NSDS)**.



strategianazionale per lo sviluppo sostenibile
NSDS
National Strategy for Sustainable Development

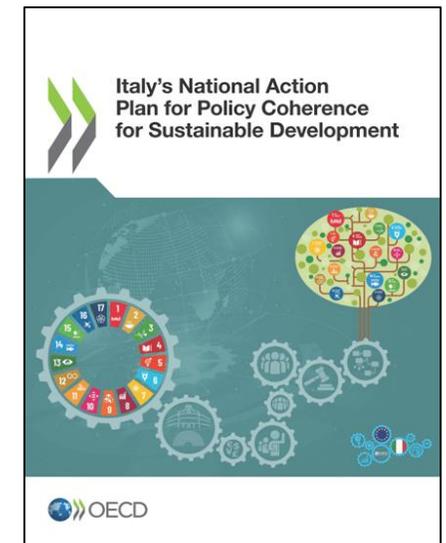
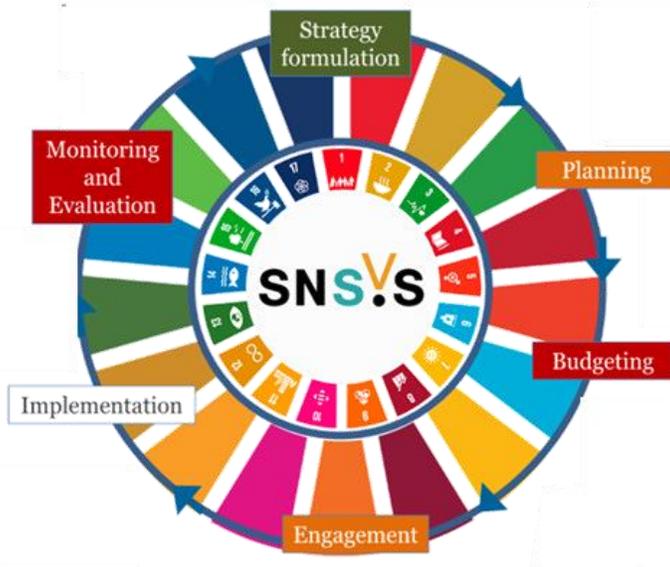
<https://www.oecd.org/gov/pcsd/public-governance-sdgs/policy-coherence-for-sustainable-development-mainstreaming-the-sdgs-in-italian-decision-making.htm>

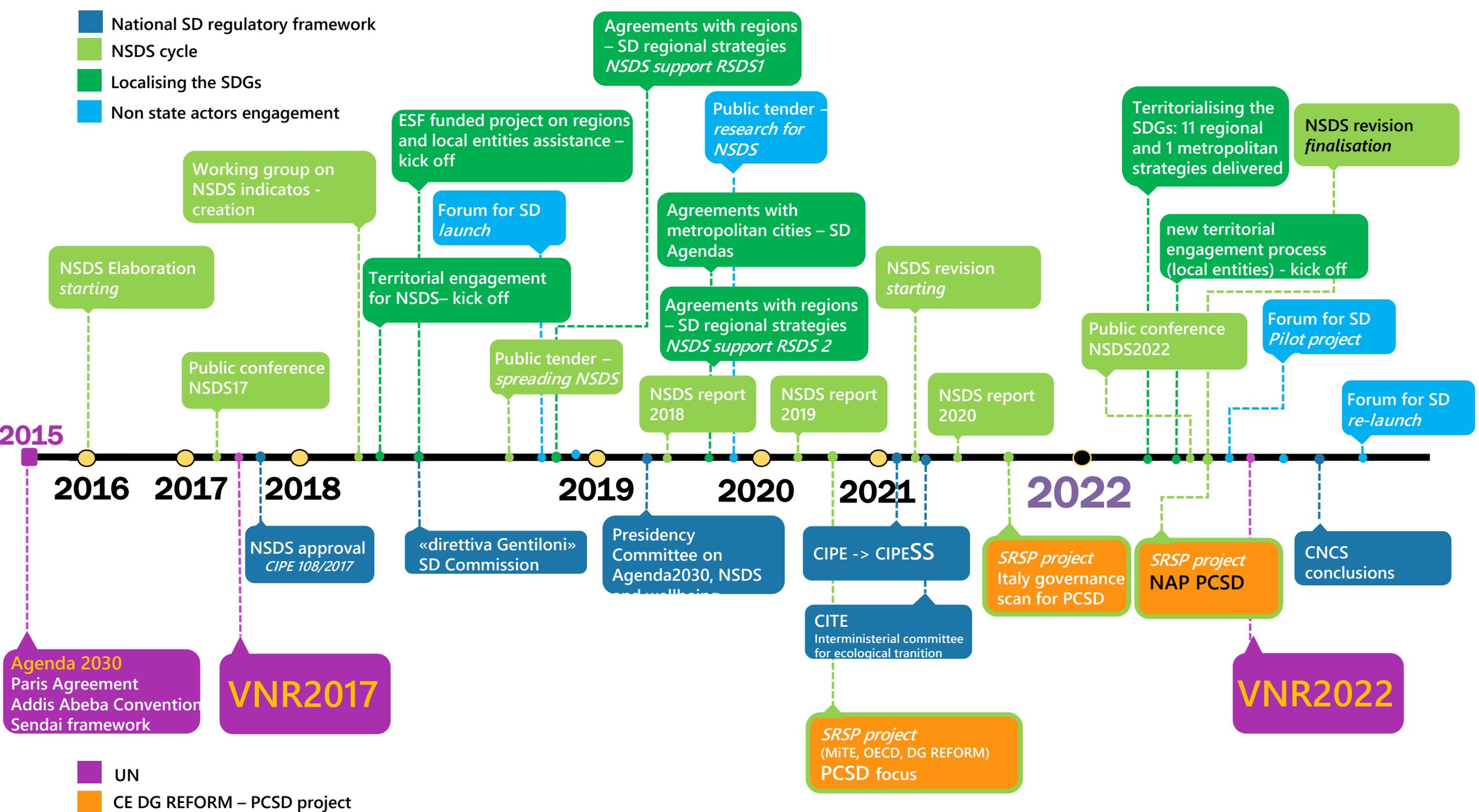
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PCSD NAP is the **implementation tool** of the NSDS allowing for integrated programming and integrated monitoring.

The **institutionalization** of PCSD in the context of the NSDS is a powerful tool to put into practice the **transversal and integrated nature of the SDGs**.

The PCSD NAP targets **the policy-cycle and the governance system** as the priority «places» to start a long-germ change and real transformative path





NSDS/VNR22

ACTORS

SPACES

MEANS

Actors

(state and non state)

Central institutions

*(Ministries, Departments
of Presidency of the
Council of Ministers)*

Regions and

*Metropolitan cities
(steering committees)*

Cities and homogeneous
areas

Forum for sustainable
development and
territorial Fora

International actors

*(OECD, UN-Habitat, DG
Reform...)*

Spaces

(virtual and physical)

Interministerial
Roundtable

Interinstitutional
roundtables with
Regions and
Metropolitan cities

Workshops, on the job
meetings, working
groups, world café...

Coordination meetings
of the Forum for
sustainable
development

"Decidim" platform
dedicated to Forum

National Conference for
Sustainable
Development

Means of implementation

PON Governance
(Cohesion policies
fund)

TSI (Structural
Reform Support
Programme)

Cooperation
agreements and
pilot actions

Tenders for research
projects & culture
/dissemination
projects

multilevel governance | territorial level

World Cafè 2021: Revision of NSDS's Vectors



EDUCATION TO COMPLEXITY
VS linearity and sylos



PLACES for LEARNING
beyond school, strengthening the relationship man/environment



2030AGENDA as LIFE PARADYGM
Vectors for sustainability towards individuals, communities, networks



AWARENESS as OUTCOME



TRANSFORMATIONAL EDUCATION
no adaptation, rather complexity awareness towards transformation



INTEGRATED TRAINING
polycentrism in professional training and education



EDUCATORS AS ACTORS FOR CHANGE



TRANSFORMATIVE COMMUNICATION
lower SDGs washing risk, role of new media

COMPOSITION
of fragmentation in education

POLYCENTRIC EDUCATION AND TRAINING
the school out of the school

TRAINING POLYMORPHISM
listen and enact actors for change

COMMUNICATION AWARENESS-RAISING



NETWORKS as educational engines
improve interaction ability and mutual learning



INNOVATION
critical and trasformational approach



CONTINUITY TO EDUCATIONAL PROCESSES
learning by doing coherence of educational policies



LEADING ROLE for STUDENTS and TEACHERS
school as territorial LAB territory as school



ORGANISATIONAL SKILLS
for network management



MULTIDISCIPLINARITY
continuity to learning processes through programming and scheduling



TRANSFORMATION of SOCIAL and INDIVIDUAL PROCESSES



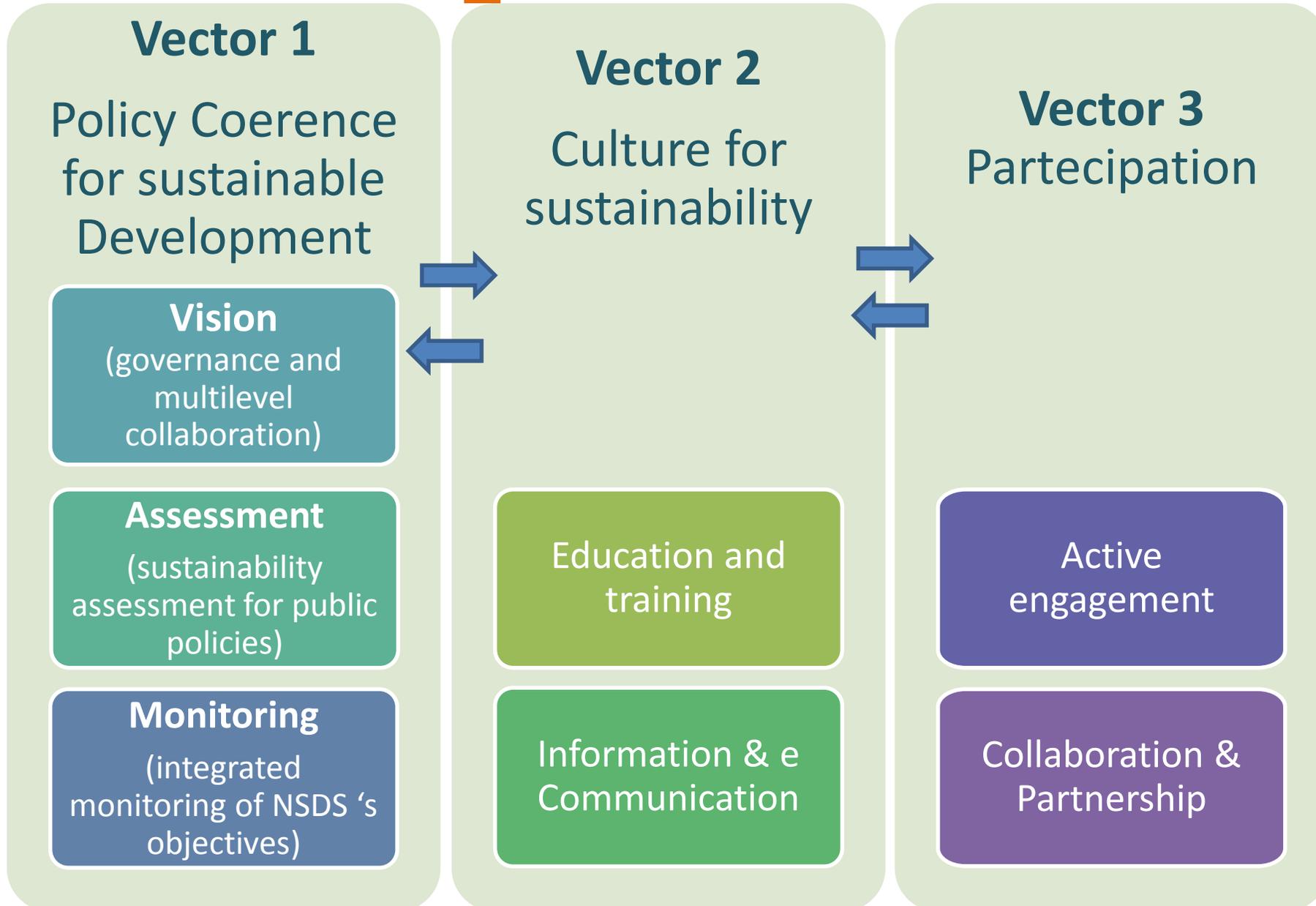
EDUCATION and PROXIMITY

NETWORKS
action experimentation

CULTURE FOR SUSTAINABILITY

TRANSFORMATIVE POWER of EDUCATION

TERRITORIES SPACES
(action/ experimentation)



Vector 2

Culture for sustainability

Education and training

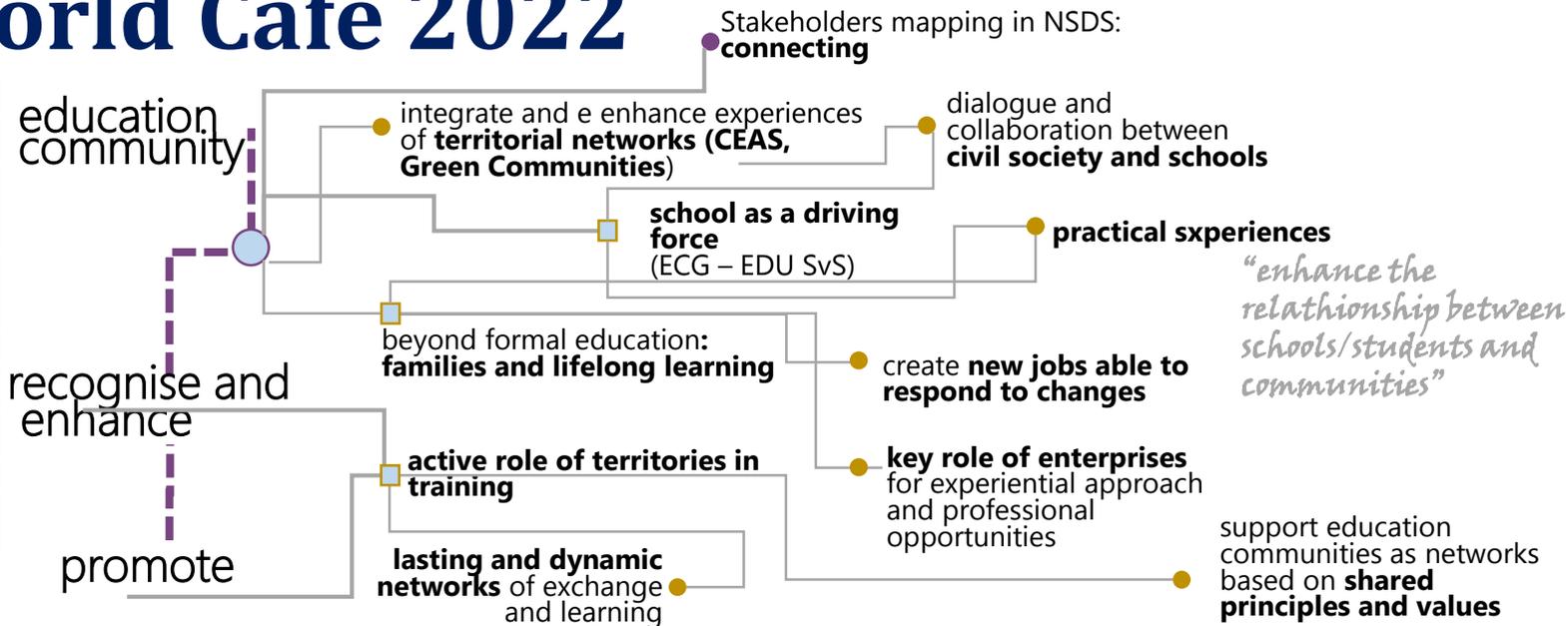
Information & e
Communication

OBJECTIVES

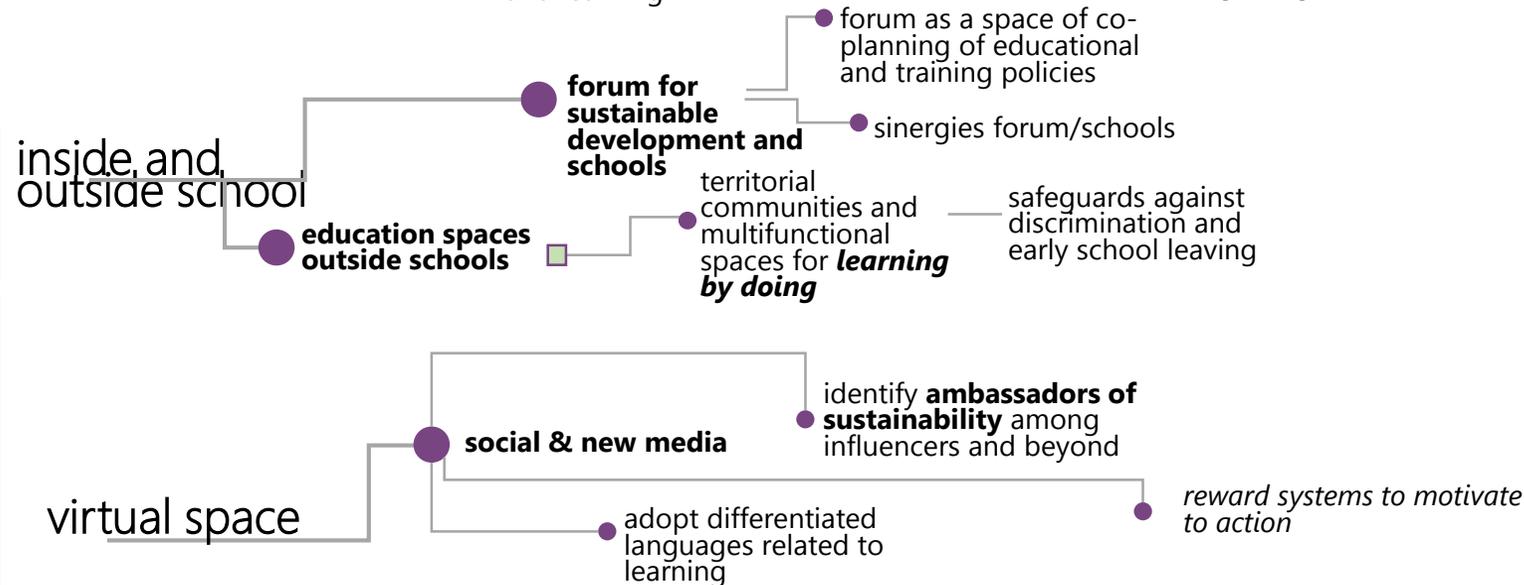
- **QUALIFY THE EDUCATION SYSTEM AND DEVELOP SKILLS FOR SUSTAINABILITY**
- **PROMOTING LIFELONG LEARNING FOR SUSTAINABILITY**
- **STRENGTHEN EDUCATION AND TRAINING FOR SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT BY FOCUSING ON SYNERGIES BETWEEN STAKEHOLDERS AND TOOLS**
- **DEVELOP SHARED LANGUAGES, TOOLS AND PLACES TO INFORM AND COMMUNICATE ON SUSTAINABILITY**

World Cafè 2022

governance



territories spaces



key role of territories in educational and training processes:

- support and enhance existing activities
- arrange and interconnect skills and knowledge of sustainability actors
- support and enhance the representativeness of sustainability actors and networks
- promote dialogues

CULTURE & TRAINING

Localising the SDGs

Regions, Autonomous Province
Metropolitan Cities

sharing and spreading a common language
engage the academia

Working on and into (INSTITUTIONAL) COOPERATION

(vertical)

Agreements (national funds) and technical support (ESF) to boost SD strategies at different territorial level

(horizontal)

Working groups to share experiences and provide feedback to NSDS implementation (implementation and monitoring)

Creating an “activators network”

Thematic groups for discussing and approaching transversal/integrated issues to prioritize territorial SD strategies:

Resilience - sustainability/adaptation - biodiversity and local development - circular economy - sustainability in mountain environment

Engage the academia into the challenge

Tenders for funding projects to **support territorial institutions** and integrated point of view into thematic issues

GOVERNANCE

Steering committees and internal governance mechanisms

SHARING AND SPREADING A COMMON LANGUAGE

MULTI STAKEHOLDER ENGAGEMENT

Civil society and local bodies

INNOVATION through COLLABORATION

CO-DESIGN AND INTEGRATED PLANNING

Education and training to support transformation: examples

- ❑ Numerous initiatives have been developed by **Italian regions and metropolitan cities** aimed at promoting the development of new skills (disciplinary, methodological, social, personal, etc.) in an interdisciplinary and trans-disciplinary perspective, focusing on values of inclusion, equity, global citizenship, environmental and community care.
- ❑ In Italy the **Environmental and Sustainability Education Centers (CEAS)**, **the Voluntary Service Centers (CSV)** or **the Civil Protection networks**, play a key role in terms of information, awareness rising and mobilization of partnerships in the building processes of the regional and metropolitan strategies for sustainable development.
- ❑ New configurations of territorial networks: **energy communities and educational communities**, new territorial hubs for the triggering of that great transformative collective process outlined by the 2030 Agenda.

Italy for SD

Territories as key enablers for the 2030 Agenda



21 Cooperation Agreements signed between the Ministry of Environment and Regions and Autonomous Provinces



14 Cooperation Agreements signed between the Ministry of Environment all the Italian Metropolitan Cities

<https://www.mase.gov.it/pagina/i-territori-lo-sviluppo-sostenibile>

COHESION POLICY as the frame to boost policy coherence at all levels

VNRVLRs

Innovative and incremental learning process: **VNR with and for territories**

Promoting and supporting the definition of **Voluntary Local Reviews**

18 between Regions and Metropolitan cities, **12 integrated VLR** in 2022

Sharing experiences and methods

Building a *community* for SD

The Forum for Sustainable Development The National Council for Development Cooperation

Sustainability is human

Recognize spread knowledge and practices in place for sustainability, networking and mapping them, working on **ACTIVE SOCIAL INTELLIGENCE**



Engage the potential

Involve non state actors and network organisations to coordinate the Forum. Boost their responsibility building on research support and “third mission” of the Universities

Create a *place* for gathering, sharing and systematizing

to be intended as a permanent arena. Focus on territorialization, promoting multilevel linkages among organisations



RE-DESIGNING
and strengthening
through

NSDS revision

**VNR2022 –
position paper**

**Conferences
2022**

**EXPRESSION OF INTEREST
2019 (open!)**

**GOVERNANCE/
NETWORK**
National Forum and
territorial fora

**SYNERGIES/NON
DUPLICATION**

Territorial fora to support
sectoral policies
participation **VS** consultation

ACTIVE ENGAGEMENT

In the decision phase but also
in implementation and
monitoring (citizens role)

VOLUNTARY NATIONAL ITALY 2022 REVIEW

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ALLEGATO 2 – Voluntary Local Reviews

18 administrations involved

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1 VNR + 12 VLR

<https://www.mase.gov.it/pagina/voluntary-national-local-review>

<https://hlpf.un.org/countries/italy/voluntary-national-review-2022>

Tender on Vettore 2 “Culture for sustainability» 2023



To promote **Culture for sustainability in NSDS implementation process:**

- innovate and qualify the education system and educational models** by promoting the process of transforming knowledge into skills, as well as the development of a sustainable lifestyle;
- ensure life-long training for sustainable development** of individuals and organizations
- creation of a common language and new narratives** to spread a vision of the future based on sustainability.

Categories

- festival and events
- publications
- platforms, observatories and multi-actor interaction spaces
- 24 projects** approved
- Amount of resources:** € 480.000,00
- Time:** 2023-2024, max 12 months



<https://www.youth4climate.info/>



EVENTS AND OPPORTUNITIES

NEWS AND STORIES

KNOWLEDGE BANK

ABOUT



Global initiative, co-led by the Government of Italy and UNDP and co-shaped with youth and other strategic partners

ABOUT THE YOUTH4CLIMATE INITIATIVE

Youth4Climate: Powering Action is a global initiative, co-led by the Government of Italy and the United Nations Development Programme (UNDP) and co-shaped with youth and other strategic partners, with a long-term strategic vision oriented to:

- Build on the successes, lessons learned and recommendations from the 2021 **Youth4Climate Manifesto** adopted at the Youth4Climate: Driving Ambition Summit in Milan, and convene a global Youth4Climate: Powering Action event in September 2022 in New York.
 - Boost youth-led and youth-inclusive climate action on the ground by strengthening the identification and support of concrete and innovative youth-led solutions and nurturing a vibrant ecosystem for youth at all levels.
 - Sustain meaningful and long-term engagement with and for youth, by making possible the generation and exchange of knowledge, opportunities, experiences, and resources in a new global virtual space.
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Education for Global Citizenship

- ❑ Through the implementation process of the National Sustainable Development Strategy (NSDS), the Ministry of Environment is involved in education activities through the elaboration of the **National Action Plan on Education for Global Citizenship (ECG)**, coordinated by the Development Cooperation Agency under the guidance of the Ministry for Foreign Affairs.
- ❑ The Ministry of Environment is also an active member in the implementation process within the National Group on Education for Global Citizenship together with the Ministry of Education and other institutional stakeholders.
- ❑ In July 2021, the Ministry of Environment organized in collaboration with the University of Rome, La Sapienza, a World café meeting with the aim to develop a wide and prosperous debate on educational issues. Participants were engaged from institutions, civil society organizations, research sectors, universities and they brought relevant inputs coming from their different experiences.



Environmental Civil Service (Servizio civile ambientale)

The Experimental Framework Program is developed in implementation of the Memorandum of Understanding signed on 6 August 2021 between the **Minister for Youth Policies** and the **Minister of Environment and Energy Security**, for the creation of the "Environmental Civil Service"

context

**Covid and post covid
International context**

**National Recovery and
Resilience Plan**

**Agenda 2030 and NSDS
SNSvS**

**Strengthening processes
for sustainable
development as a shared
solution**

process

"**Environmental civil
service**" to train young
people to face the
challenges of green
revolution and ecological
transition, enhancing the
institution of the
Universal civil service

testing

**Educational/training
processes on environment
and sustainable
development
Active citizenship
Participation**



*Leaving no one
behind*

« **The future of humanity and of our planet lies in our hands.** It lies also in the hands of today's younger generation who will pass the torch to future generations. We have mapped the road to sustainable development; it will be for all of us to ensure that the journey is successful and its gains irreversible »

TRANSFORMING OUR WORLD: THE 2030 AGENDA FOR SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT



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